



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re U.S. Patent Application of )  
MUROTANI et al. )  
Application Number: 10/821,888 )  
Filed: April 12, 2004 )  
For: DISK ARRAY APPARATUS AND DISK ARRAY )  
APPARATUS CONTROL METHOD )  
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**COVER LETTER**

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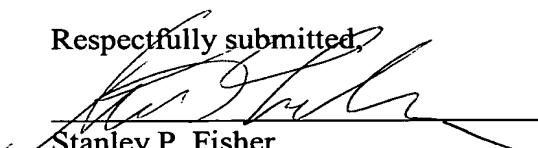
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